Contempt Petition No.407 of 2003

S.S.SUNDAR, J.,

Learned Additional Government Pleader appearing on behalf of the respondent admitted that the respondent had taken possession of the land without acquiring the land in the manner known to law. Though the question that arises before this Court is regarding payment of interest for the compensation that was determined pursuant to the direction of this Court, this Court is of the view that the respondent not only failed to comply with the direction of this Court but also lost the wonderful opportunity of acquiring the land for a meagre amount that was awarded as compensation to the petitioner.

2. Considering the facts of this case, this Court is of the view that the respondent has to acquire the land afresh by issuing a fresh notification and determine and pay compensation in accordance with the provisions by which the land belonged to the petitioner is going to be acquired. Learned Additional Government Pleader however submitted that one chance may be given to the respondent to pay the money.

3. This Court is of the view that one last chance may be given to

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the respondent to pay the money. Accordingly, the respondent is directed to pay the money which is agreeable by the petitioner, by the next hearing date, otherwise, this Court has no other option but to take action against the respondent for non-compliance and to set right the things so that the rights of an individual owner will be protected, as it is required under Article 300 A of Constitution of India.

4. The respondent shall appear before this Court on 09.03.2021 and report compliance of the directions of this Court. Learned Additional Government Pleader is directed to serve a copy of this order so that the respondent shall appear on 09.03.2021.

List the case on 09.03.2021.

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